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Mr. Matthew Baird
Director of Training
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington. D. C.

Dear Mr. Baird:

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Members of my staff who participated in Project reported to me that the two days spent at your Langley Headquarters were most enjoyable and highly educational. They were impressed with the caliber of the speakers and the frankness in which they handled their subjects and answered questions.

This program was extremely profitable and we sincerely hope that the Defense Intelligence School will be afforded the opportunity to participate in future classes. Also, we are very appreciative of efforts in making it possible for us to exceed the established attendance quota. At this particular time our scheduling permitted us to take full advantage of these additional quotas that he obtained for the School.

I believe, has certainly contributed to a better understanding of the agency and our relationship with it in the terms of cooperation, coordination, and integration of our mutual training efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Captain, USN Commandant

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Comments on Project by Waj. Gen. J. T. Kingsley, Jr., Special Assistant for Military Assistance Affairs, The Joint Staff

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In response to a query whether the increased knowledge of CIA gained in would facilitate his working with CIA. Gen. Kinglsey stated that he felt very definitely 'yes". He said that gaining an understanding of the breakdown of the Agency and knowing what components carried out particular functions would be of considerable assistance in dealing with his staff in the Pentagon. He also said that knowing to whom requests go will enable him to better understand the results received.

When asked if he now had a better appreciation of CIA's requirements for operational support from the Department of Defense, Gen. Kingsley stated that he now has a much clearer understanding of the Agency's need for DOD support. He said that the increased knowledge of the Agency to him made the Agency a real headquarters and not just a building "over there in Langley";

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Gen. Kingsley stated that in his day-to-day work he would find that Project would serve him in his duties. He explained this by stating that he now is better informed and will be able to direct his staff more explicitly in any communications that they may have with CIA.

Gen. Kingsley, when asked if there were any organizations or functions which the briefing had not covered in sufficient detail, suggested that we might have been more clear in explaining what the component "plans for". He suggested that in a functional briefing we attempt to give one or two concrete examples, either actual or fictional. He suggested that we could take approximately two-thirds of the time to give the functional briefing and use the remaining one-third for examples of one type or another.

When asked for suggestions to improve the CIA briefing, Gen. Kingsley suggested the following:

a. Mixing of Flag and General rank officers with the field grades inhibits questions.

- b. He felt that a briefing of General and Flag rank officers as a group would likely bring about a freer exchange of questions.
 - c. He suggested a possible tailored to the Flag and General rank officers' jobs. He said he realized that it would be very difficult to get a group composed of only General officers.

Gen. Kinseley concluded by stating that he was interested more in the field setup. He was interested in knowing more about the position of the military man in supporting the Agency in the field. Gen. Kingsley felt that the priefing would be particularly helpful in any future MAAG work which he might undertake, and added that a description of a typical field station without necessarily identifying an area would be a useful addition.

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stated that the single most valuable part of was the opportunity to see and hear CIA's top-level people, and in some instances (in the breaks) to get to meet with them. He felt that the overview given of the Agency was invaluable for senior FIA personnel.

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He feit that upper-level DIA personnel (at the Lt. Col. and Col. level) should have the benefit of this type of briefing.

He stated that the content of the program was quite adequate for his needs and that a two-day program was the proper length. He felt that a longer program would place an undue burden on the attending officers.

He stated that the administration of the program was all that could be asked for and the officer's personal needs were taken care of.

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from an overall viewpoint "cutstanding". He felt that exposure to CIA in this fashion would be directly indested in his daily work.

He felt that the compan annul be made available to all section and unit chiefs in DIA Production Center (Lt. Cols. and up in the Military and OB-14 and up for civilian employees of DIA).

If any changes were to be made, he felt that the time for the course should be increased to three or four days. If such an expansion were possible, it would be unaful to extend the coverage of MD/I and to give several of the tells in the program more time. He did not identify what talks he had in mind, but falt that the pase in the two-day version was swift to the point that there are only time for one joke in the program.

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made better use of briefing side. He felt that the speakers were all forthright and frank in their balles.

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Comments on Project by Rear Adm. L. A. Bryan, USN, Deputy Director for Logistics. The Joint Staff

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Adm. Bryan stated that Project had given him a better picture of the Agency and a better understanding of the complexity of the problems facing CIA. The Armiral stated that Project 25X1A2g was of particular interest and importance to him in view of his upcoming assignment to

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The Admiral said that Project had given him a much clearer understanding of now CIA would be able to support him operationally. He said that he will now be better able to call upon the Agency

for assistance when needed. He again emphasized the importance of this to him in his assignment to

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When asked if the bad given him a better appreciation of CIA's requirements for operational support from the DCD, the Admiral said to a certain extent "yes". He added that he was not too clear as to the support needed by CIA in this area from DIA. However, it is clear to him the type of support needed by the Agency from the USN, USA, and the USAF. Adm. Bryan stated that he definitely would make use of what he has learned during the next six months and referred back to his impending assignment to

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When asked if there were any phases of GIA organization or functions which were not covered in sufficient detail, Adm. Bryan stated that he felt the DOS&T coverage was not completely clear to him. He felt that the briefing on DDS&T contained too many abbreviations and was not quite down to the layman's level.

Adm. Bryan, suggesting improvements to the CIA briefing, indicated that in some cases it was too generalized. He suggested that wherever possible examples be used. He stated that it was obvious to him that security or operational needs precluded the use of a great many examples, but felt that even a few, although perhaps necessarily fictitious, would be a definite improvement. To this Adm. Bryan added that it might be worthwhile to consider moving the class from

1A07 to some other part of the building, if only for a half hour. He suggested this move to be (a) a visit to the Library, or (b) some other place in order that students do not feel "penned in", and it would dispel the impression that we were helding out. He suggested that a visit would also give the students the feeling that we were taking them into the fold, so to speak.

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	FOIAb3d	col. thought this was a very worthwhile two-day effort, especially for those with little or no previous context with the Agency. He felt that he personally gained a great deal from the two days despite the fact that he has been in constant official context with Agency personnel for the past three years. He said that this kind of orientation is obvicusly necessary to ensure a coordinated effort.
	FOIAb3d	According to Project provided the kind of infor- 25X1A2g mation which will make it easier for him, in a school situation, to determine the kinds of support the Agency might be in a position to give to a DIS training effort.
25)	K1A2g	He believes new assignees to dis and/or JCS should be scheduled for Project as soon as possible after coming abourd. He believes that it should be a course for senior officers, that is, Lieutement Colonels/Communders, or better, but feels that in the final analysis the job of the individual should be basic criteria for enrollment.
	FOIAb3d	col. Telt that the presentation by an apport requires X1A9a mests showed greater depth than was true of most of the other presentations. He recognises that the next-to-know principle was involved and generally agrees that for the most part there was adequate coverage of the subject. He would have liked more on the mature of the Agency's training effort—this primarily because he is in training himself. He felt that the SET presentation was limited too much to organization and he would have liked to have heard more on the functional efforts of SMT.
F	DIAb3d	Col. suggests that a presentation be included which would pin- point the presence of CIA limiton efficers associated with the military down through major subordinate communic so that service personnel would have some guide as to where they might go for assistance.
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the observations of the five DIA officers were reported to the Commendant, DIB, who in turn in correspondence to the Director of Training stated that he hoped the program would be continued and DIE personnel would be included.

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offert attendant therete. He said that the information which he obtained would help him immensurably to understand the workings of the CIA and facilitate his cooperation with these elements with whom he works. (He is primarily concerned with the Board of Mational Estimates.) In spite of this, did not in any way wish to have the curriculum changed to lay more emphasis on the production side rather than the collection. Respondent indicated that he would have appreciated a visit to other particular of the physical plant such as the Office of Mational Matimates, the library, etc. Respondent said that CIA should not consider in any way in necessary to justify our existence. He felt to some extent that there was somewhat of a defensive attitude. He indicated that CIA had no need to explain or be apologetic and time there should be more exphasis on the positive approach.

Respondent indicated that he thought the two days were appropriate and the course could be no langer or should be no shorter. Further, the scheduled days should remain the same because many of the officers must visit their desks before and after classes in order to carry out their duties at the sums time as they are attending the course. Regarding the rank of students, respondent said that attendance should be confined to Lieutement Colonels and higher, including General and Flag officers. It should not, however, be limited strictly to General officers. Respondent indicated that he plans to have all semior smalysts in his shop (the working level) attend the course as a part of their general ordentation. Respondent expressed his appreciation of the calibre of speakers who appeared on the program. He indicated that he would rather have first-hand knowledge from individuals the are in positions of authority. The level of speakers should be at the deputy director or staff chief level if for no other reason ther that they are better segminted with the security implications involved. All of the speakers to his mind were frank and forthwight within the limits of security, and there were no phases of CIA organization or nuctions which were not covered in sufficient detail for his mutuees.

25X1A2g Comments on Project by Captain J. S. Elkins, USN, National Military Command Center, Team Chief, JCS

Respondent indicated that he did not find the questionnaire distributed at the end of the course proper. He was reluctant to have to grade individuals of the stature of the DDCi and the DCI. He also indicated that in order to do a proper job, more time and thought was necessary than permitted to complete the questionnaire. He suggested that the grading of individual speakers be eliminated, that the questions be broadened, and that the students be permitted to take them to their offices for completion and mail them back to the Agency.

Regarding the overall curriculum, the respondent indicated that he thought the first day, although at first glance appearing to be dry and dull, was better than the second cay. He indicated that certain staff chiefs tended to talk around their subject and assumed a body of knowledge which was not possesses by the average student. Recognizing the need for security and compartmentation, the respondent indicated that specific examples, hypothetical or blown operations, could well be used to be more specific. Respondent indicated that the only thing lacking in the schedule which he would have liked to have seen included was something on CAA's warting role, particularly its relationship to the military.

Respondent said that he would have appreciated having the group taken anywhere in the building. This would have broken up the monotony and as he put it, "just to show them that there is nothing to see". He said that the students felt that they were restricted and confined. Regarding the grade and rank of participants, the respondent indicated that he thought the course should be open to Lieutenant Colonels - Commanders, but priorities should be given to Colonels - Captains and higher, including General officers.

Respondent was very emphatic in saying that attendance in the course had increased his knowledge of CEA and would facilitate his working with the Agency. Specifically, he stated the fact that on his team, as all teams in the NMCC, there is a CIA representative and this will certainly give him a better knowledge of CIA's capability in supporting the NMCC effort.

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(I talked to the CIA representative on Col. Elkins' team, a 25X1A9a was very enthusiastic about having as many members of the NMCC teams as possible attent Project in the future.) 25X1A2g

Respondent said that he viswer Project as a necessary 25X1A2g part of all NMCC team chiefs' crientation before assuming their duties. Respondent also thought that it would be appropriate to have each of the team division duty officers (General and Flag rank) attend the two-day briefing.

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Respondent expressed his gratitude for being able to get an opportunity to hear deputy directors and staff chiefs. He indicated that this first-hand information was necessary, regardless of the eloquence of the speakers. Respondent felt that all speakers were as forthright as they could be considering the wide wriety of backgrounds and clearances of the student participants.

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